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In re Patent Application of:

Darren L. Abramson, et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
DETERMINISTIC REMOVAL AND
RECLAMATION OF WORK ITEMS
FROM AN EXPANSION BUS
SCHEDULE

Examiner: Spittle, Matthew D.

Art Unit: 2111

DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.132

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Dear Sir:

I, John S. Howard, hereby declare that:

1. I am a citizen of the United States of America.
2. I currently reside at _10465 SW Woods, Portland, Oregon 97225 _.
3. I am currently an employee of Intel Corporation, Santa Clara, California.
4. I have been employed by Intel Corporation since ____5/18/1992____.
5. My position at Intel Corporation is ____Software System Architect____.
6. I am a co-inventor of the above-identified patent application.
7. I have assigned my rights to the above-identified patent application to Intel

Corporation.

8. I have reviewed the "Enhanced Host Controller Interface Specification for Universal Serial Bus", revision 0.95, dated November 10, 2000 from Intel Corporation of Santa Clara, California ("EHCI Specification"). The Examiner has cited the EHCI Specification against the claims of the above-identified application.

9. The EHCI Specification lists eleven (11) individuals as significant contributors, or co-authors, of the EHCI Specification. A copy of the EHCI Specification listing the eleven (11) co-authors is filed herewith.

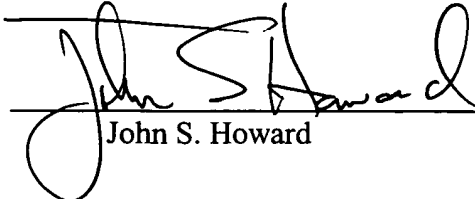
10. The EHCI Specification lists myself, John S. Howard, as well as my co-inventor, Darren L. Abramson, as co-authors of the EHCI Specification. The EHCI Specification includes subject matter that was prepared based upon co-inventor Darren L. Abramson and my own original work.

11. The inventorship of the instant application is correct in that the EHCI Specification discloses subject matter derived from Darren L. Abramson and John S. Howard, the Applicants of the instant application, rather than invented by the authors of the EHCI Specification, notwithstanding the authorship of the EHCI Specification.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October ¹⁸__, 2006



John S. Howard